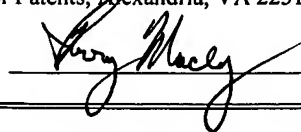




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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)

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Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated November 25, 2003 in the above-identified application from January 25, 2004 to April 26, 2004 (April 25th was a Sunday).

The extension request and appropriate fee are as follows:

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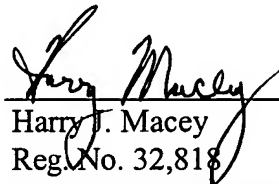
- [] The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to Deposit Account No. *.
- [X] Authorization to charge the \$475.00 extension fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1947 is provided on the Fee Transmittal. A duplicate copy of that document is attached for that purpose.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing Attorney Docket No. CSI-2008C2.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and/or the Patent Office determines that other relief is required, Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing Attorney Docket No. CSI-2008C2. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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